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SENATOR CUDABACK: You may continue.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: My amendment attempts to bring some sanity and rationality into it, so you all won't look like fools, like you don't understand what a criminal law is for. The U.S. Supreme Court told the Bush administration that this man you call the Attorney General took a position beyond his legal or medical or scientific expertise. He tried to misuse his position of power to punish doctors for doing what he disapproved of. And the law enacted by Congress dealing with controlled substances was designed to fight against trafficking in narcotics, as anybody would know, except the zealots. And they even know better, but they will use anything to get their particular religious error into the laws to make orthodox that which ought to be dismissed out of hand as sheer "nincompoopery," because that's what you're dealing with. But you are too cowardly or too ignorant to know what it is that's before you and to do the right thing about it. A Legislature is supposed to be a deliberative body. What do you think the word "deliberative" means? Go get that little simpleminded red dictionary over on this table, or go back there and get that English dictionary, and see what these terms mean. But the reason I was going to say it's so difficult for somebody like me, if I'm dealing with people who understand these concepts, who understand these principles, the arguments would be entirely different. That's why in courtrooms lawyers are in a position where they can argue from the standpoint of intelligence, rationality, the law, its history, its dignity, and its purpose. When you get on a legislative floor, you could go in the telephone book, you could take the list of people in the penitentiary, and take every other person till you get to 48, and put them in here, and they'd do just as well as is being done here now, and better. Why did I say 48? Because I'm excluded from that. My record and my history demonstrate what I try to do on this floor, and what I try to persuade this Legislature to do. Then you have a man who comes in here, who will admit he's not a scientist, has not gone to medical school, which we know, and--he will not admit this, but I will say it--cannot even read a sentence from a book on embryology and correctly understand it. He puts his Catholic spin on it. So I would...I'd be allowed to stay here, because I think, I reason,